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[1](#)1. (C) At about 2:30 PM, President Conte reportedly signed a decree dismissing General Baillo Diallo from his post as Minister of Defense, meeting the mutineers' immediate demand. No replacement has been named. The GoG announced Diallo's dismissal publicly during a 3:00 PM broadcast by RTG.

[1](#)2. (C) A reliable source within Camp Alpha Yaya reported that the Deputy Minister of Defense, General Sampil, is still being detained by the mutineers. This information is contrary to media reports, which stated that Sampil had been released from custody.

[1](#)2. (SBU) COMMENT. The minister's dismissal may initially placate the mutineers. However, it could also embolden them to push harder for their remaining demands. Negotiations are likely to continue into the evening. The situation remains relatively calm. END COMMENT.
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